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## MARINES LEAVING TSINGTAO?

### Communist Shells Drop Near City's Airport DEFENSIVE WAR PLANS

Tsingtao, February 1.

Chinese Communist mortar shells are falling within one mile of Tsingtao's airport and there are indications today that the United States Marines stationed here may be getting ready to leave.

### Apathetic Feeling In Canton

Canton, February 1.

In an atmosphere of local apathy the stage is being set for the establishment of Canton as the new capital of Nationalist China.

Following the arrival of hundreds of Government officials, many legislators are now coming South from Nanking and the influx is expected to increase during the next few days. At the same time representatives of many of Nanking's 38 foreign missions have begun to assemble in Canton.

Few high ranking legislators have yet arrived but Chinese sources state that the Premier, Dr. Sun Fo, and the Finance Minister, Mr. Wu Te-chen, are due tomorrow.

They are said to be coming to set up what is described as a central office to be staffed and operated by political leaders who are already here.

Chinese sources also predict that the acting President, General Li Tsung-jen, will come to Canton shortly on an inspection tour. This tour, it is believed, will take him to Hainan Island which, it is generally expected, will be the main base for the Chinese Navy once the Central authorities have settled down.

### 30 Americans

Large groups of Americans and Russians have already reached Canton, the former totalling about 30. Three members of the British Embassy staff arrived today and three more are expected tomorrow.

An Australian representative also has arrived and four Indians are due tomorrow. The plan of the Canadians is not known here as no representative has yet arrived nor is any expected.

The greatest difficulty is apparently being met by representatives of the Central Government in finding accommodation for the large number of officials and legislators who are moving South. Taking advantage of the demand, hotel keepers and landlords are asking high rents which the Government representatives are not prepared to pay.

The city's largest and most modern hotel has been requisitioned for foreign representatives. Informal observers in Canton are still not convinced that the Government can operate South and continue to operate effectively. They point out that apart from moneyed interests, the Kwangtung capital offers no backing, either in men or morale.

Observers believe that, if the Communists are not held at the Yangtze, it will be only a matter of months before they will reach the South.

Canton at present is protected mainly by an ill-equipped and partially trained provincial force and there is little likelihood of an effective military body being brought South. The most formidable military force that has arrived recently consists of fewer than 20 light tanks and scout-cars. —Hupster-AAP.

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### PICTURE OF THE DAY

Jack Buchanan  
Back With Bride



Jack Buchanan, the British actor and manager, and his wife, Susan Bassett, 30-year-old American actress, walk the deck of the Cunard liner "Caronia" at Southampton, England. They are just back from America where they were married in Connecticut on January 14. Susan has a seven-year-old daughter by a previous marriage. —AP Photo.

## Truman Accords Full Recognition To Israel, Transjordan

Washington, February 1.

President Truman yesterday gave full recognition to the Governments of Israel and Transjordan. The White House made separate announcements of de jure recognition for each Government. This means that there will be an exchange of Ambassadors with the two countries.

James McDonald, special representative to Israel with the rank of Ambassador, may be the first Ambassador to the new State. De jure recognition means the Government is recognised as the lawful one for that country. The Israeli Government until now has had only de facto recognition, meaning recognition that it is in fact a functioning government.

Full recognition of Israel followed election of a Parliament Government there on January 25. The fact that President Truman coupled the action on Israel with recognition of Transjordan may have been aimed at easing any Arab displeasure. Because of the Near East's strategic oil reserves, the United States sometimes in the past has felt impelled to steer a middle course in disputes between Israel and its Arab neighbours.

The Jews and Arabs are trying, under the auspices of the United Nations, to reach an agreement which will end permanently bloodshed and fighting in the Near East.

Full recognition by the United States is also expected to improve Israel's chances for admission to the United Nations. Britain's action removed the greatest stumbling block.

London Collocation. Meanwhile, thousands of Jews cheered and clapped in London's West End today as 17-year-old Ruth Liebster, a telephone switchboard girl, hoisted the blue and white flag of Israel above the Israeli Government offices.

The raising of the flag proclaimed the Israel Government's recognition by Britain.

Long before the ceremony was due to take place Jews from all over London flocked to Manchester Square, which lies just behind Oxford Street, one of the West End's main shopping centres.

It was a seething, excited crowd. Some groups danced. Others prayed. The cheering was led by a young man with long fair hair. Waving a newspaper, he led the crowd in cries of "Long Live the State of Israel—Long Live the Prime Minister of Israel."

The ceremony itself was simple but impressive. A hush fell on the crowd when the Secretary of the Jewish Council of London, the Jewish symbol of law, was brought on to the balcony. Associated Press, United Press.

## SURVIVORS OF SHIP COLLISION DUE IN HK

(Photo on Page 3)

Twenty-three survivors of the ill-fated Portuguese freighter Masbate, which sank five minutes after colliding with the ss. Hsiang Hsing on Monday morning off Foochow, are due to arrive here tomorrow.

No mention of the master, Mr. C. V. Gomez, who replaced Mr. I. de Lemos one day before the Masbate sailed for North Korea last weekend, was made in the cables received by the local agents yesterday from the Chinese steamer, which brought the survivors to Swatow.

The Masbate was reported to be a total loss. Insurance covering the vessel, cargo and equipment is said to amount to about HK\$400,000. The 200 tons of general cargo were said to be also totally destroyed.

Though no indication of the cause of the accident was given, the local agents, Jebshun Shipping Company, declared they assumed the Masbate must have been struck a midships to sink almost immediately.

The former master, Mr. Lemos, who sailed with the freighter on a day before the Masbate departed for her maiden voyage to North China waters, on January 28.

The ss. Hsiang Hsing, which was taking the 21 Masbate survivors, reported that she was instructed by the Chinese to send down the crew as soon as possible by ship.

The Hsiang Hsing arrived at Swatow last night. The 23 men are expected to reach the Colony by tomorrow evening.

No arrangements have been made yet regarding the survivors, the agents said. "Of course we will negotiate with the survivors on such matters," a senior official declared.

Recruited in Hong Kong. Most of the crew were recruited in Hong Kong. Some were taken from the Portuguese colony.

The Portuguese flag was flown recently at a ceremony at Macao, after the vessel changed ownership. She was formerly registered as a Panamanian freighter.

Mr. Lemos, meanwhile, in the Colony. The agent stated yesterday that he signed off because of medical advice regarding the severe weather up North.

Up to late last night, local sources had not received further of Mr. Gomez. The fate of Mr. Gomez has not been officially clarified yet.

### DEAN ACHESON'S ASSISTANT

Washington, January 31.

President Truman today nominated Mr. Dean Rusk to be Assistant Secretary of State.

Mr. Rusk, one of the top State Department experts on the United Nations, will fill the vacancy caused by the recent resignation of Mr. Norman Armour. During the war, Mr. Rusk served in the China-Burma-India theatre as Deputy Chief of Staff. —United Press.

### Plans To Unseat Tito?

Berlin, February 1. The American military Government's German newspaper here claimed today that the Russians were plotting a Putsch to unseat Yugoslavia's Marshal Tito before March 15.

The newspaper, Neue Zeitung, said its information came from Balkan experts in Berlin.

It said orders for the Putsch had been delivered by Moscow to those Yugoslav Communists who are faithful to the Kremlin line.

The Soviet Government also counts on the support of opportunists among Yugoslav's Army officers, the paper added.

"The putsch plans are being advanced because the Kremlin fears that Tito's position will become impregnable with the aid of the West," Associated Press.

## U.S. Plane Flies At 1,700 m.p.h.

Cleveland, February 1.

An aviation plant executive indirectly confirmed that the XT-1, first airplane to exceed the speed of sound in level flight, has attained speeds of 1,700 miles an hour. It has climbed to an altitude of 80,000 feet.

The disclosure was made by Mr. Clarence D. Bell, industrial and aviation pioneer whose firm engineered the rocket-powered craft.

Mr. Bell said the plane was designed to attain that speed and height and has been extremely successful in all its tests. U.S. Air Force security regulations prohibit disclosing exact achievements.

He said his corporation is building another plane 60 to 70 per cent faster than the XT-1. That would make it capable of flying 2,400 miles an hour, or more than three times the speed of sound.

Mr. Bell said the only trouble is that the XT-1 runs out of fuel while still accelerating. Its rocket motor develops 25,000 horsepower at full speed, compared to a maximum of 4,000 in the most advanced standard plane engines. —Associated Press.

### CIGARETTE PRICES UP

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## Accused Claims Legal Right At Extortion Trial

That he had the legal right of claim to the \$50, which he is alleged to have demanded from the relatives of a prisoner at the Victoria Remand Prison through threats of assault, was stated by Timothy Din, one of four accused, during a statement from the dock at the extortion trial yesterday.

The other three accused are Gussy Maria dos Santos and Sapto Ahmed, prison warders together with the first accused, and Jose Maria Dias Azedo, a former warder of the same prison. They are charged with 11 counts of demanding money with menaces, corruption in office and conspiracy.

## Five Born Every Hour

An hourly average of five births was registered in Hong Kong during 1948, according to official figures.

Total births registered in the period under review was 46,465, including 563 non-Chinese.

Births outnumbered deaths by almost four to one during the year. Total deaths registered was 13,433, including 157 non-Chinese.

## Full Court Increases Sentences

A Full Court yesterday increased by two years the sentences of eight years' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane passed on three prisoners by Mr. Justice Reynolds (Acting Puisne Judge) at the December Criminal Sessions.

The sentence of eight years' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane passed on a fourth prisoner was confirmed by the Full Court.

The Full Court which heard the appeals comprised Sir Leslie Gibson (Chief Justice) and Mr. Justice Wicks (Acting Additional Judge).

Mr. M. Heenan represented the Crown on the appeal.

The accused who were found guilty by a jury on charges of possession of arms and ammunition and robbery, and whose sentences were increased from eight years' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane to 10 years' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane, were Chan Tit-ping alias Ko Lo-kwal, Leung Sui-wah alias Yin Chai and Hung Yung alias Hung Fai.

Chan Tit-ping alias Ko Lo-kwal was also found guilty on a charge of receiving stolen property.

The sentence of eight years' hard labour and eight strokes of the cane passed on Yau Lot alias Yau Kut-loi after he had been found guilty by a jury on charges of possession of arms and ammunition and robbery, was confirmed and not increased.

For returning to the colony after having been banished for life in June last year, Leung Sui-wah, aged 26, was sentenced to nine months and to be re-banished by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central yesterday.

Defendant was arrested by the police on January 20.

It is alleged that the four obtained various sums of money from Tang, who was husband of Ho Lok, who was arrested for receiving stolen goods. They told her that they were in a position to prevent him from being arrested.

At yesterday's hearing, Inspector Roberts, who is assisting Crown Counsel Mr. M. Heenan for the prosecution, read out the statements made by all the accused at the time of their arrest. Mr. Sapto and Ahmed elected to make statements for their own defence from the dock, while Azedo told the court that his partner, Timothy Din, had been forced to join him, and that he was born and educated in Malaya and that during the Japanese occupation he served as a volunteer in Shanghai. After the liberation he came to Hong Kong and went into employment with the Sanitary Department, and joined the Victoria Remand Prison as a warder.

As for Ho Lok, accused went on, they were introduced to one another by a friend. He said then came to him with some documents and told him that if he signed them, he would be able to get out of the prison. He asked him to sign them, but he said, "I don't know what they are." He went on to say he suggested Ho go to Mr. de Silva, the solicitor. This he did, and the solicitor worked on the dealings for about two weeks, he said. He then asked him for a loan, telling him that he would pay back later.

Accused, continuing, told the court that since he trusted Ho he lent him a certain amount. Later, however, he and Azedo were approached one day by Ho and another Chinese who demanded the documents back. He told him that Azedo, that he had some documents which, according to the accused, proved to be a false one.

Din said he then realised that Ho had been playing a trick on them. The next time he saw Ho was when the Ho was arrested on a charge of receiving stolen property.

At this point, Din told the court that, up to that present moment, he still could not for a moment figure how he had committed an offence. Had he been a bully, Din said, he could have very well gone to Ho's address without any letter at all and demanded the money, just threatening that he was a prison warder. Continuing, accused said that when he met Ho in the jail, he reminded Ho of his debt. Ho, he said, then wrote a short letter, which he gave to him, and told him to take it to 181 Chung-shan Road. This he did, Din said, and was given \$54 by Ho's brother.

After further evidence, was given by Din on his own defence, hearing was adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning.

What's A Game Among Friends?

It was Chinese New Year time and they were just having a game of cards among friends, said Lam Chai, charged with keeping a common gaming house, before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday.

At about 3 p.m. on Monday night, said Sub-Inspector J. H. Evans, a party of police under Detective Sub-Inspector Chuk Lok-ka paid a surprise visit to 27, Tekling Road, Kwai Lok. The party was in search of a common gaming house which had been a scene of crime in progress.

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## Registration In Malaya



As part of their anti-terrorist campaign, the authorities in the Federation of Malaya have introduced National Registration for everyone above the age of 12, except the Malay, Chinese and the High Commissioner. This measure has been enthusiastically received, everywhere except among the bandits, who have abducted a number of photographers in isolated areas. This National Registration takes the form of a card to which is attached a photograph of the holder, together with his right thumb print and his personal details. The registration of some five million people of the Federation is expected at Ampangan Malaya School, where a Chinese subject is being registered.

## Fog Slows Down Sea, Air Traffic

A heavy mist remained over the Colony yesterday, slowing down traffic at sea and in the air.

Some ships entering the harbour reported being delayed from two to four hours because of thick fog outside Kowloon Bay.

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## Fisherman Saved By A Word

The difference between "moor" and "move" saved \$20 for 63-year-old sampan master, Ma Fat, who was charged before Mr. F. W. J. Skutell at the Marine Court yesterday with mooring within 100 yards of the seawall of Tsimkoo Dockyard.

The fisherman was discharged after pleading not guilty.

In his evidence for the prosecution, "Lai Kail-woon, 27-year-old watchman of the Dockyard, told the court that he was on duty aboard a motor boat at midday on January 24 when he noticed the defendant near the seawall. On his approach, witness declared, he saw Ma Fat moving five yards away from the wall. When he informed defendant that it was an offence to be near the wall, Ma Fat replied that it did not matter. The sampan was not anchored but was not moving.

Witness related that he, too, had been to the Tsimkoo Dockyard Police, where Inspector Wheeler interrogated him, after which he was sent to the Shaukiwan Police Station and charged.

Ma Fat, pleading not guilty, declared that he was between 70 and 80 yards from the wall, to which he was forced by bad weather at that time. He was using his oars to propel the sampan but could not make headway because of the strong currents. He did not know why he was arrested.

Sub-Inspector Nippard, prosecuting, remarked that there were some irregularities in the case. He pointed out that there was no police officer present at the time of the arrest, that the police were informed that the sampan was about 80 yards from the wall but witness said it was five yards away and defendant claimed to be about 70 yards off, and that the sampan was actually under weigh and there was no evidence of "loitering".

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## Charged With Larceny Of Motor Junk

Larceny of a motor junk at Cheung Chau Island was the charge made against Kong Kwok-choi, aged 40, before Mr. A. D. Schöles at Kowloon yesterday.

Complainant was Tang Fat, the managing partner of the Sze Hong Shipping Company of which defendant had part share.

Mr. Sidney Ng Quinn appeared for the defence and DSI Askew conducted the case for the prosecution.

A motor junk was bought by complainant's firm, which had two other partners. Defendant was the man who mediated in the sale of the junk to complainant, the prosecution said.

A sum of \$2,000 had been paid down at deposit of the junk which cost \$5,000. All this was done in Chinese territory.

It turned out that the junk needed repairs and was taken to Cheung Chau Island, Kong, the defendant went along with the mechanics, the prosecution continued.

Repairs cost an amount which complainant's firm could not afford, so he, with his two partners, came to Hong Kong to value the required money. Eventually defendant was made a fourth partner, the prosecution stated.

It was alleged by the prosecution that while the first three partners were in Hong Kong, defendant sailed the junk away. This was discovered when two of the partners returned to Cheung Chau to find the junk gone and no trace of the defendant.

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## Fatal Accidents During 1948

Ninety-seven Hong Kong citizens were fatally injured in traffic accidents in the colony during 1948.

Traffic accidents during the year totalled 6,375 of which 2,396 occurred in Kowloon and the New Territories.

The casualties included 603 persons seriously injured and 2,164 slightly injured, making a total of 2,767.

## Shipwright Charged With Bigamy

A third class shipwright from HMS London, William Henry Walter Thornb, aged 34, was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almeida at Central yesterday with committing bigamy, and with making a false statement under oath.

Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges and was remanded to Saturday.

Defendant, who was dated to be married to Sophie Thorne on June 6 last year went through a form of marriage with Emily Maria Gill.

Inspector Moore said that the first information he had of defendant's marriage was from the Captain of HMS London on December 2 last year. On January 24, defendant went to the office and admitted that he was already married when he "married" Miss Gill. The legal marriage took place in London in August 1939.

Defendant has been in the Navy for the past nine years and during that time he had very little to do with his wife.

In April last year he met Miss Gill and they became very friendly. Defendant told her that he was single and on May 4 at the Supreme Court gave the necessary information under oath of his intended marriage, by falsely describing himself as a bachelor.

Three weeks "married" in the Roman Catholic Church on June 6. Since their marriage, they had been very happy. Defendant gave Miss Gill an allowance of \$200 a month.

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## Reminders

Today

HK Football Referees Association extraordinary meeting, HKFA office, Prince's Bldg., 10.30 a.m.

Legislative Council meeting, 2.30 p.m.

Red Cross Club meeting, 80, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.

HK Council of Social Services, lecture on "Children Deprived of Home" by Miss F. K. Panglford, Public, Education Office, Lecture Room, 5.30 p.m.

Sino-British Club Orchestra rehearsal, 8 p.m.

Paper on "High-Frequency Heating" to be read by Mr. A. J. C. Trefall, sponsored by the Engineering Society of Hong Kong, at the Macdonnell Hotel, 10.45 p.m.

Coming Events

Mr. M. S. Chow will be in Hong Kong to Japan, at the Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

HK University Arts Association presents the School for Education at St. Paul's, 8.30 p.m.

Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.45 p.m.

RAV Association luncheon, 12.45 p.m.

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Classified Advertisements, accepted up to 5 p.m. for publication in the following day's paper.

Replies for the Following Box Nos. are awaiting collection.

No. 723.

Replies will be forwarded to the Advertiser if requested on the original form which should bear their name and address.

A suitable announcement will be inserted free of charge if Advertiser's requirements are satisfactorily answered.

## LOST

SPARE wheel and tyre from B.O.A.C. Bedford Van believed to have been lost between Statue Square and Cape D'Aguilar on Sunday 23rd Jan., between 1-2 p.m.

## WANTED KNOWN

BEAUTIFY Your garden with Dutch Calla-Lily, Anemones, Paeonia and Gladioli including blue varieties. Anglo-Chinese Trading, R4, Pedder Building, third, 20053.

TAMARA MAY—Room 503, Peninsula Hotel now holding SALE of American Dresses, etc. At Bargain Prices. Orders taken for Wedding and Evening Gowns, Etc. European Workmanship Only.

FOR YOUR coats, suits, dresses and hats address yourselves to Madame LAVENIR French couturiere and modiste, 3 Humphrey's Building, Carnarvon Road 3rd floor, Kowloon—Telephone No. 50233.

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## CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

MAY BE BOOKED AT THE SWINDON BOOK STORE 25 NATHAN ROAD, TEL. 59327

RENOMMEE Dresses New Shipments of Coats & Afternoon Dresses, "DESIRE" Hats. Special offer high quality Silver Foxes from \$150 to \$375. 503, Victoria House, 5 Wyndham Street.

RUGS Manufacturers and Exporters Peking and Tientsin Carpets and Rugs. Peking Art Rug Company Room No. 8-9 Lucky Apartment, corner of Hankow and Peking Road, Kowloon.

CARPETS & RUGS—Genuine Peking and Tientsin, lovely designs and colorings, various sizes. Come and inspect at The China Rug Co., Kowloon Building, 4th Floor (Opposite Hong Kong Hotel), Queen's Road, Central.

CARPETS, embossed, plain, fancy, in Chinese Oriental and Persian designs. All sizes. All colours. Carpet Industries 63 Austin Road, Kowloon.

LADIES we have at your service all specialized operations for Helene Curtiss cool waves, machineless oil perms, hairdyes & manoucre—ROSE MARIE Beauty Parlour—Phone 50384-43, Hankow Rd., Kowloon.

## WANTED TO BUY

WANTED CARPET, Fawn preferably all over design 10x8 or 12x9 must be reasonable and in good condition. Write Box 728 "China Mail".

## DANCING LESSONS

BALLROOM DANCING—"Made Easy" for you. "LATEST VARIATIONS". Specialities—Rhumba, Samba, Tango, Jitterbug. (Enquiries 1-3 PM)—TONY HUDSON, 512 China Building.

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QUICK SALE Kelpinator Frigidaire 7 cubic feet, Practically new cost \$1520.00. Will accept reasonable offer. Apply Box 722 "China Mail".

FOR SALE second hand Westinghouse Refrigerator in perfect working order. Can be seen any morning, Hong Kong Side, price 600. Dollars. Box 727 "China Mail".

INDUSTRIAL firm has part of its installation available for the manufacture of new metal articles. Will those interested please send enquiries to Box No. 728 "China Mail".

POST CARD PHOTOGRAPHS of Hongkong, 18 beautiful views, 30 cents each, at Ye Olds Printers, Ltd.

ACCOUNT BOOKS—Cash book 180 leaves, Ledger, 170 leaves Journal, 578 pages, strongly bound, good paper, \$55.00 the set or \$20.00 each. At Ye Olds Printers, Ltd.

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PLAYING CARDS—A good quality linen-faced card, four packs for \$7.00, at Ye Olds Printers, Ltd.

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PILOT RADIOS: Same reliable pre-war quality now obtainable at popular prices, made possible only by increased demand and large sales. World Reception Models from \$190 each. Obtainable at all the better dealers or direct from: Colonial Agencies, Teakoochoy Bldg., 14 Queen's Road, Phone 26310.

HONG KONG FILM AND THEATRE NEWS at 50 cents per copy. Obtainable at Leading Book Stores, Newspaper Sellers and "China Mail" Office.

CHINA MAIL PICTORIAL at \$2.00 per copy. Obtainable at all leading Book Stores and "China Mail" Office.

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SCRIBBLING PADS—100 pages at 50 cents each. On sale at "China Mail" office, Windsor House, Tel. 22512.

## LAMMERT BROS.

Auctioneers, Surveyors and Appraisers, Pedder Building, Telephone No. 20224.

## PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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A. E. B. de Souza, Auctioneers, Auctioneers, Surveyors, etc. Basement, French Bank Bldg., Telephone 21561.

## THE HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

## ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, 1 Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on Saturday the 6th day of March, 1940, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1939, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Friday, the 18th, of February to Saturday the 5th, of March, 1940 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board, A. MORSE, Chief Manager.

## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG.

## PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS of Arthur Tradescent Lay of Teviot Ottways Lane Ashted Surrey and of Teviot 514 The Peak Hong Kong, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897, made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 23rd day of February, 1940.

All creditors and others are accordingly hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 28th day of January, 1940.

WILKINSON & GRIST, Solicitors

for the Administratrix of the estate of the abovesaid deceased,

No. 2 Queen's Road, Central, Hong Kong.

## NOTICE

## SHANGHAI DOCKYARD LIMITED.

The Transfer Books of both the Main and Branch Registers of Shanghai Dockyards Limited will be closed from February 19 to March 11, 1940, both days inclusive.

The annual general meeting will be held in Hong Kong on March 11, 1940.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., Agents.

## NOTICE

We beg to announce that Mr. Pong Wing Tong and Mr. Lee Wah Chue have joined us as Directors and Chinese Advisory Managers.

DREYER & CO., LTD. February 1, 1940.

## REMINDER

## HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB

## COLONY TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Entries are invited for the Colony Grass Court Singles and Doubles Tennis Championships to be played during the Hong Kong Cricket Club Annual Tennis Tournament commencing February 21, 1940.

Entry forms are obtainable from all Clubs and Sports Shops. Entries will close at 5 p.m. on February 11, 1940.

## NOTICE

We have moved our office from 201, Victory House to Room 112, Marina House on the 1st. February, 1940.

T. A. Pearce & Co., Stockbrokers.

## THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Forty-seventh Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the Office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 28th day of February, 1940, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

- To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1939.
- To sanction a Dividend in respect of the year 1939.
- To elect two Directors.
- To appoint Auditors.

## CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 14th February, 1940, to the 28th February, 1940, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors, G. B. S. THOMSON, Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 1, 1940.

## THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the First Extra Race Meeting to be held on Saturday, 12th February, 1940, (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 12 o'clock NOON on Thursday, 3rd February, 1940.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

## U. S. R. C.

The monthly dance will be held on Saturday, 19th February. Tickets \$5.00. Now on sale.

## NOTICE

## ENGINEERING SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

## SESSION 1940/40

A paper on "High Frequency Heating" will be given by Mr. A. J. C. Threlfall A.M.I.E.E.

on Wednesday, 2nd February at 5.45 p.m. in the Jacobean Room of the Hongkong Hotel.

Tea will be served from 5 p.m.

## NOTICE

## RECRUITING L.E.P.

All vacancies on the 4th. Course for Locally Enlisted Personnel at Hong Kong Chinese Training Unit, Lyemum have now been filled. The Recruiting Office in Whitefield Barracks, Kowloon will therefore be closed until recruiting begins for the 5th. Course in March, 1940.

A further announcement will be made in this paper when recruiting recommences.

J. F. SOPER, Major, Officer-in-Charge Recruiting, Hong Kong & New Territories.

## NOTICE

Mr. Jose Eduardo Noronha has this day been authorized to sign for procurement for this Company.

THE UNION TRADING CO., LTD. February 1, 1940.

## THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS CO., (1933) LTD.

## REVISION OF FARES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that as from the 1st day of February, 1940, the undermentioned Bus Routes will be divided into Sectional Stages and fares will be charged as follows:—

Route No. 1. Star Ferry and Kowloon City. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, and Prince Edward Road.

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road.
- Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road and Kowloon City.

Route No. 2. Star Ferry and Shamshuipo. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Laichikok Road.

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Shum Shui Po.

Route No. 3. (Reserved for opening of New Route).

Route No. 4. (Reserved for opening of New Route).

Route No. 5. Star Ferry and Ngau Chi Wan. Via:—Salisbury Road, Chatham Road, Ma Tau Wei Road, Tam Kung Road, Prince Edward Road and Sai Kung Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Star Ferry and Austin Road.
- Austin Road and Kowloon Dock Gate.
- Kowloon Dock Gate and Ma Tau Kok.
- Ma Tau Kok and Kowloon City.
- Kowloon City and Ngau Chi Wan.

Route No. 6. Star Ferry and Lai Chi Kok. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Tai Po Road and Castle Peak Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES.

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Yen Chow Street.
- Yen Chow Street and Lai Chi Kok.

Route No. 7. Star Ferry and Kowloon Tong. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Waterloo Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Peace Avenue.
- Peace Avenue and Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road.
- Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road and Kowloon Tong.

Route No. 8. Star Ferry and Kowloon Tong. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Prince Edward Road, Knight Street, Cumberland Road and Waterloo Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Knight Street.
- Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Knight Street and Kowloon Tong.

Route No. 9. Star Ferry and Ngau Chi Wan. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Argyle Street, Waterloo Road and Prince Edward Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Star Ferry and Pakhoi Street.
- Pakhoi Street and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Kowloon Hospital.
- Kowloon Hospital and Kowloon City.
- Kowloon City and Ngau Chi Wan.

Route No. 10. Star Ferry and The Monument. Via:—Salisbury Road, Nathan Road, Carnarvon Road, Kimberley Road, Austin Road, Cox's Path and Jordan Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGE

- Star Ferry and The Monument. (One Section only).

Route No. 11. Jordan Road Ferry and Kowloon City. Via:—Jordan Road, Gascoigne Road, Chatham Road, Matauwei Road, Tam Kung Road and Prince Edward Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Jordan Road Ferry and Kowloon Dock Gate.
- Kowloon Dock Gate and Ma Tau Kok.
- Ma Tau Kok and Kowloon City.

Route No. 12. Jordan Road Ferry and Lai Chi Kok. Via:—Jordan Road, Nathan Road, Laichikok Road (Shumshuipo), Yen Chow Street and Castle Peak Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Jordan Road Ferry and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Yen Chow Street.
- Yen Chow Street and Lai Chi Kok.

Route No. 13. Jordan Road Ferry and Ngau Chi Wan. Via:—Jordan Road, Nathan Road, Prince Edward Road and Sai Kung Road.

## SECTIONAL STAGES

- Jordan Road Ferry and Argyle Street.
- Argyle Street and Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road.
- Jct. of Prince Edward Road and Waterloo Road and Kowloon City.
- Kowloon City and Ngau Chi Wan.

## SCALE OF CHARGES

10 cents will be charged for the first Sectional Stage or part thereof, and 10 cents for the subsequent Sectional Stages or part thereof (i.e., 20 cents Through Fare).

British Service Men (Army, Navy and Air Force Personnel) in uniform and children under the age of 12 years will be carried, at 10 cents through fare only. Children under the age of 4 years not occupying a seat and accompanied by an adult passenger may be carried free of charge.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that the company reserves its rights to introduce Two Class Accommodation (i.e. First and Second Class) in the buses operated by the company, and to adjust the fares (within the rates prescribed by this Licence) at any time, upon reasonable notice being given.

MONTHLY TICKETS & SCHOOL CHILDREN TICKETS

As from the Month of February, 1940, Monthly Tickets & School Children's Tickets will be issued at \$18.00 and \$8.00 per ticket respectively; the use of such tickets are restricted to Route Nos. 1 to 13 (Inclusive) only, and can be obtained as follows:—

On 28th, 30th and 31st January and 1st, 2nd and 3rd February between the hours of 8.00 a.m. and 7.00 p.m. at Tsui Tsui Bus Terminal Office, Kowloon, and thereafter at the Company's Office, 153 Castle Peak Road, Kowloon, during regular business hours only.

School Children's Ticket entitles the holder to a maximum of 4 single journeys daily (Sundays omitted) and confined to the hours of 6.00 a.m. and 6.00 p.m. only.

School children making application for the first ticket shall produce for the Company's records a school certificate bearing his or her photograph.

Monthly Tickets and School Children's Tickets are available for the month of issue only.

The Company reserves the right to refuse the issue of Monthly Ticket or School Children's Ticket to any person whom they consider ineligible.

Dated the 27th day of January, 1940.

THE KOWLOON MOTOR BUS CO., (1933) LTD.

W. S. T. LOUEY, Manager.

## CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"This model is \$39.95... including entertainment tax!"

## BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

The Authority on Authorities

TRY AN UNDER GAME BID

THERE is never any hurry about rushing into a game bid after you or your partner have made a call which guarantees the bid enough strength for it to reach a game contract. Such a call might be an original bid of two, or a response of one more than necessary to a bid of one or a new suit rebid of one more than necessary, or a minimum bid of a suit named by an opponent. At such a time it is usually best, on your next turn, to find, if you can, some "informative" call which is below game, in order to give your partner maximum possible information and a chance for you to elicit the same from him.

S 3 7 6  
H Q J 7 4  
D Q 4 2  
C A 6

S Q 9 3 2  
H 10 5  
D 10 9 6  
C K J 7 5

S 10 5  
H 6 3 2  
D K J 3  
C Q 4 3

S A K 8 6  
H J 10 9 5  
D 9 8 2  
C B 7

S Q 10 4  
H K Q 5  
D Q 4 3  
C 10 9 8

S J 9 7  
H D 7  
D K 7  
C A K Q J 6 3 2

(Dealer: West. Both sides vulnerable.)

West North East South

Pass Pass Pass 2 S

Pass 2 NT Pass 3 D

Pass 3 H Pass 4 H

That was the bidding at one table of a tournament. It was much better than the calling at another table where South had bid 3-No Trumps on his second turn.

The merit of South's rebidding 3-Diamonds, a less-than-game call after the 2-No Trumps, was

that it enabled North to bid hearts if he had five or show a spade fit if he had four, without going above the game level after three from North in either of those suits. South had the option of bidding the game in either just 3-No Trumps of the suit.

The 3-No Trumps got made where it was bid, with nine successive tricks after the club 5 lead. But the 4-Hearts bidder beat them by 20 points when they made their contracts. After drawing trumps, these declarers tried leading toward the diamond Q, then for the discard of a spade on the thirteenth; they had still another chance if it had failed, the spade finesse.

Of course an opener of 2-No Trumps followed by a 3-Heart response would have brought the same winning contract of 4-Hearts, but that is another story.

(Dealer: North. Neither side vulnerable.)

If you got into 6-No Trumps on the South cards of this deal, how would you seek it after the Heart K lead?

Tomorrow's Problem

S A K 8 6  
H J 10



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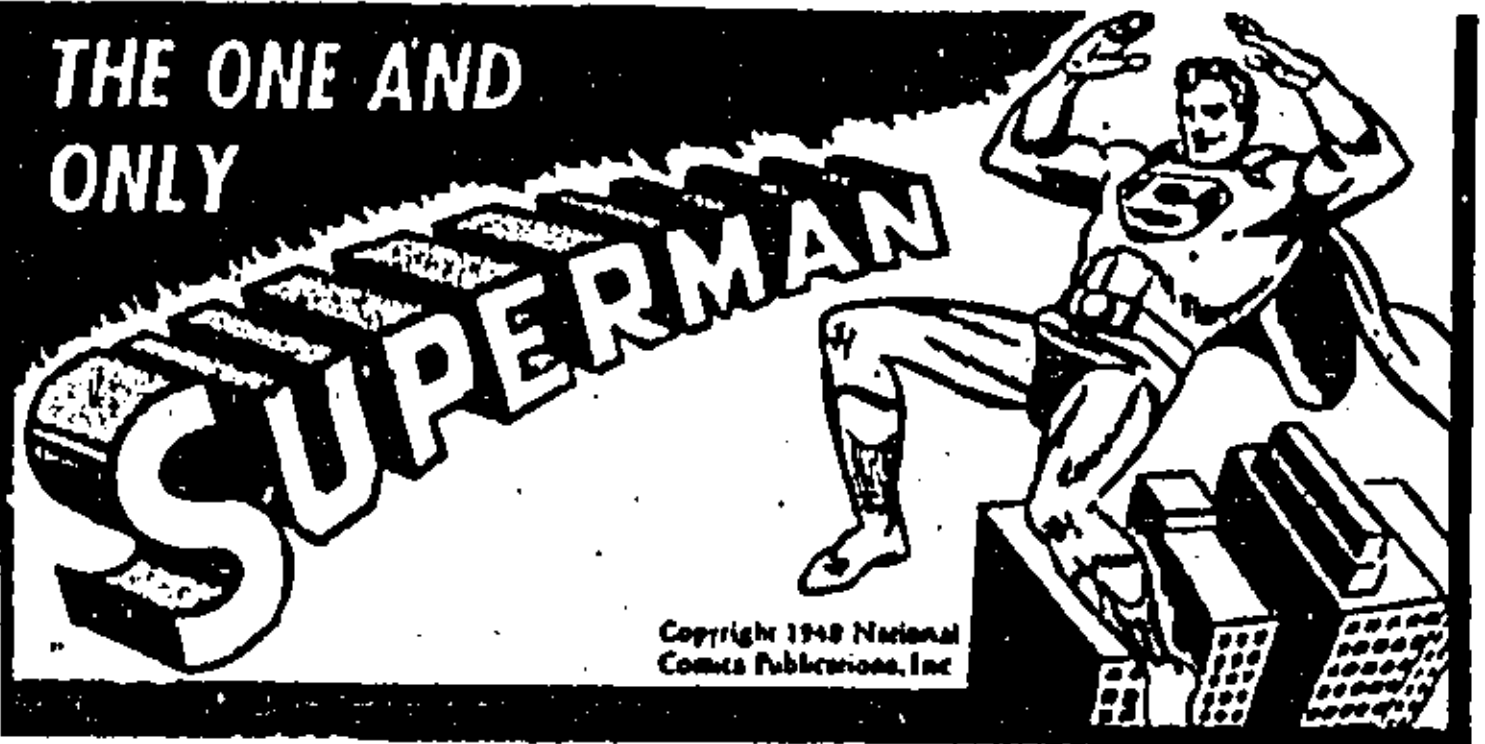
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## BRITISH BLUEPRINT FOR A MODERN NAVY

London, January 31.

A new Royal Navy with all latest developments in radio-guided missiles and jet propulsion is being created by scientists and engineers moving towards use of atomic power. Reciprocal Commonwealth defence plans, already well under way, have allocated a total of £30,000,000 for research and development, according to official estimates.

Naval strategists foresee radical innovations in design made essential by potentialities of atomic bombs and ships navigated and fought entirely by electronic devices.

The ships of things to come, as seen by naval designers and architects, includes streamlined superstructures, small units of nuclear energy to replace conventional fuel tanks, and submarines with submerged speed equalling that of any surface ship.

Scientists are experimenting with a new fuel evolved from highly concentrated hydrogen peroxide. The basis is free oxygen and the fuel will be used exclusively for submarines.

If successful, Britain's submarines will be capable of speeding twice, possibly three times, as fast as ordinary Diesel engine-propelled undersea craft.

Jet-Propelled Ships  
British research engineers have also developed the first reversible gas turbine for ships after three years' experimentation.

The invention is an oil-operated coupling, linked with a turbine, that will enable a ship's propeller shaft to be reversed without having two separate propulsion units.

Jet-propelled ships with 1,400 tons displacement are being laid down. Their speed and specifications are being kept secret, but it is understood they are designed as escort ships which, naval designers say, will be a vital force in any future war operations.

Britain is also well advanced in naval air strategy with jet propelled aircraft, and jet plane landings at "ocean air bases" are now routine practice.

These revolutionary designs are necessitating complete reorganisation in training and recruitment of naval personnel.

Guiding Influence  
"The Navy of the future has yet to emerge from the training establishments. Assessment of potentialities of atomic bombs and guided missiles in sea warfare is the guiding influence in training naval personnel of the

future," an officer of the Directorate of Naval Personnel Department told the United Press.

British naval strength today consists of four battleships, three fleet carriers, five light fleet carriers, 17 cruisers, 34 submarines, 52 destroyers and 43 frigates.

In addition, some 250 fighting ships are in "cold storage" in coastal naval stations. Numbers have already had superstructures modified to withstand near misses from atom bombs, and new weapons are being introduced into the mysteries of gamma radiation.—United Press.

### NO PURGE IN BRITAIN

London, January 31.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, today rejected a suggestion in the House of Commons that he set up an independent Royal Commission on the lines of the Un-American Activities Committee of the United States Congress.

Sir Waldron Smithers, Conservative, had wanted a Commission to report on the extent and nature of Communist organisations and their subversive activities in Britain.—Reuter.

## U.S. Officer Assesses The Red Soldier

Washington, January 31.

An American Army intelligence officer said the Chinese Communist soldier is trained for fast moving attacks while the Nationalist government soldier has a defensive "pillbox complex."

The assessment of the fighting qualities and methods of the Communist soldier in China was given by Major Robert B. Rigg, of the Army Intelligence Division, now on duty with that division here. He was captured by Communist troops near Changchun in 1947 and, with another American officer, held for more than a month.

Writing for the unofficial service publication, the Infantry Journal, Rigg sets forth these views about the Chinese Communist army:

The general class, origin, physical appearance and intelligence of the Red soldier are about the same as the Nationalist soldier. He is usually illiterate, though better indoctrinated politically. He is no as well trained as the Nationalist soldier with one important exception—he can make long, fast marches, and that is a key factor in Chinese Communist party successes.

The Red soldier is not a volunteer. Red propaganda to the contrary. He is started by one of two methods. The first is simply the rounding up from villages and counties of sons of military age, which is often done by force. Few escape, and the penalty for desertion is so severe that only a few attempt it.

A more successful conscription results from the party's late division programme, and here the recruit does see something to his immediate benefit. When the CCP take over a new area, the well-to-do are purged one way or another, and their land may be divided among the peasants, or at least the landlords are made to

stop their gorging, and these things favourably impress them (recruits) with the Communists.

### Family Debt

These systems place the family in debt to the party, and the family is told it must furnish one or several sons to the army in order to defend its land.

The land division programme has done much to popularize the Communists and all the ranks of the Chinese Red army.

Communist soldiers are not paid, but receive ample food and good ration of tobacco. From time to time small luxuries are distributed. The Nationalist soldier is paid in cash but the progressive leaps of China's inflation have made this pay practically worthless.

Red army officers are "die-hard Communists." Red generals are good tacticians and strategists, many of them foreign trained and graduates of the Chinese government's military academies.

Some of the older officers are party commissars, and it is their job to keep the army and its personnel in line with party doctrine. The commissars are not permitted to interfere with tactical decisions of company or battalion operations, but they do influence decisions at higher levels.

Considerable time is devoted to the political education of the rank and file, and anti-Americanism is a much emphasised subject.

This propaganda is steadily taking effect not only on the army, but among the civilian population.—Associated Press.

## Monroe Doctrine For Asia

New York, January 31.

India is working towards an Asian Monroe Doctrine, according to Professor Eddy Ashvatham, head of the department of political science and public administration at the University of Madras.

He said today that the Gandhi era of nationalism in India has given way to a Nehru era of internationalism, adding: "The whole of Southern Asia is turning to India and more especially to Pandit Nehru for moral leadership, lofty courage and constructive statesmanship."

Speaking on the first anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi's assassination, Professor Ashvatham said: "Asia may be old in history but youthful in spirit."

"She is pulsating with a new life and no power on earth can prevent her from realizing her manifest destiny."

She is resolved to terminate imperialistic exploitation as well as exploitation from within. She is working in the direction of an Asian Monroe Doctrine and regional grouping within the framework of the United Nations for economic improvement and political stability.—United Press.

## Married On Horseback

East Rochester, New York, January 31.  
Francis Rowe and Barbara Smith met at a horse show. So they were married yesterday on horseback.

The bride wore a beige buckskin jacket, a 10-gallon hat and red boots. The groom wore a bright plaid shirt. Both wore dungarees. All the wedding party, including the Justice of the Peace, were on horseback during the ceremony, which was conducted in an open paddock at the Double Diamond ranch here.

Rowe proposed to Miss Smith while out riding one day. Their dream is to own a Western ranch. After the ceremony, they left on their honeymoon—in an automobile.—United Press.

## Loophole In Trade Pact

Leeds, January 31.

British wool exporters have protested to the Board of Trade against a loophole in the Anglo-Danish trade agreement by which textiles not manufactured in Britain are being admitted to Denmark under the British quota, according to the Yorkshire Post.

Czechoslovakia is reported to be selling woollen goods to Denmark in this way by exporting textiles involved from Britain in sterling at prices with which British exporters find it difficult to compete, the paper said. The Board of Trade is considering the protests "sympathetically," it added.

Britain is not in a strong bargaining position as Denmark can sell her foodstuffs at higher prices than Britain is prepared to pay, the report said. But Britain is Denmark's traditional market and Danish official circles seem to recognise that exports to the United Kingdom are the best long-term policy.—Reuter.

## RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles in the 31 metre band.

- H.K.T.
- 12.15 p.m.—Morning Prayers.
  - 12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
  - 12.52 p.m.—Mark Weber and His Orchestra.
  - 1.00 p.m.—Navy Mixture Melodies. (BBC7S)
  - 1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
  - 1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
  - 1.30 p.m.—"From the Show."
  - 2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
  - 2.05 p.m.—Programme Summary.
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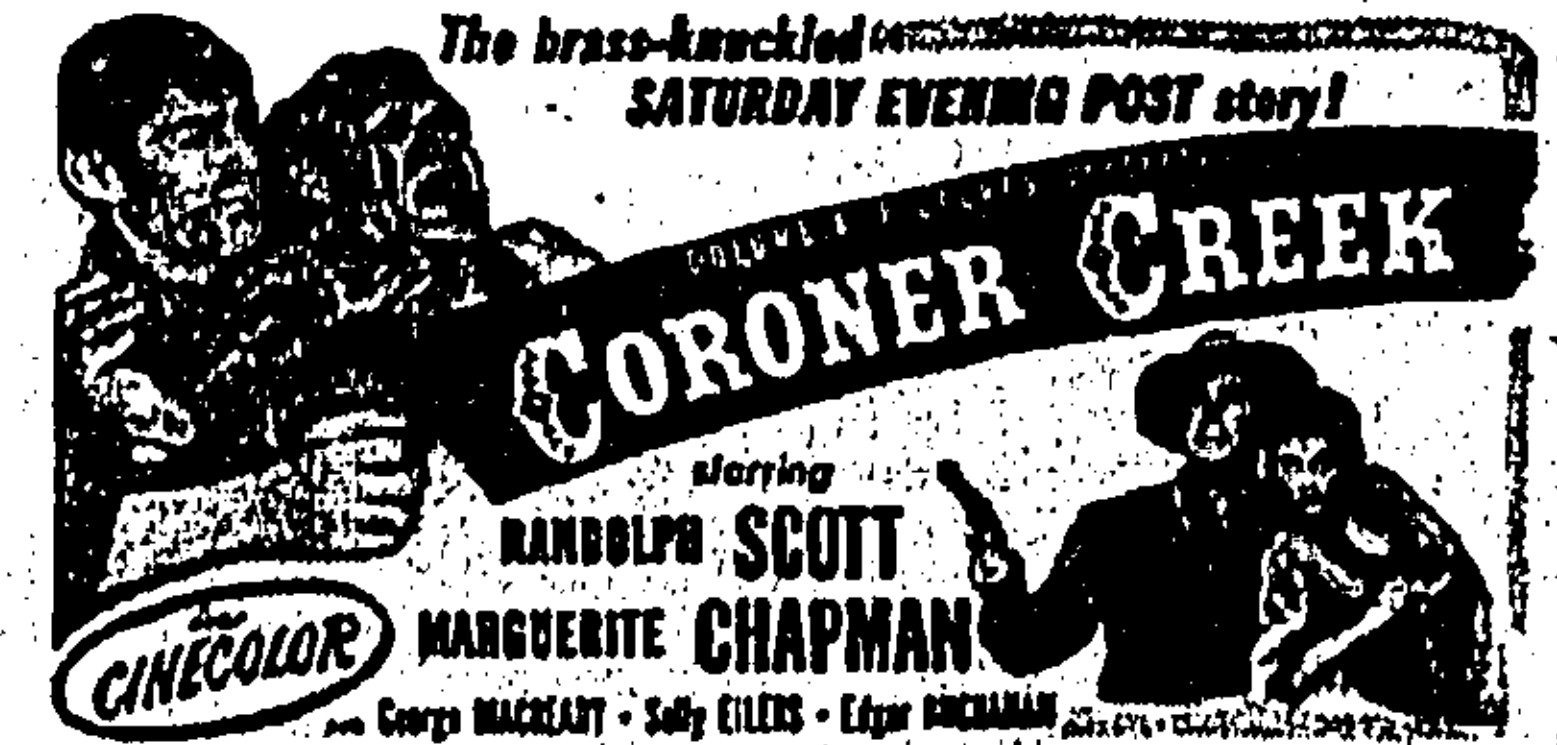
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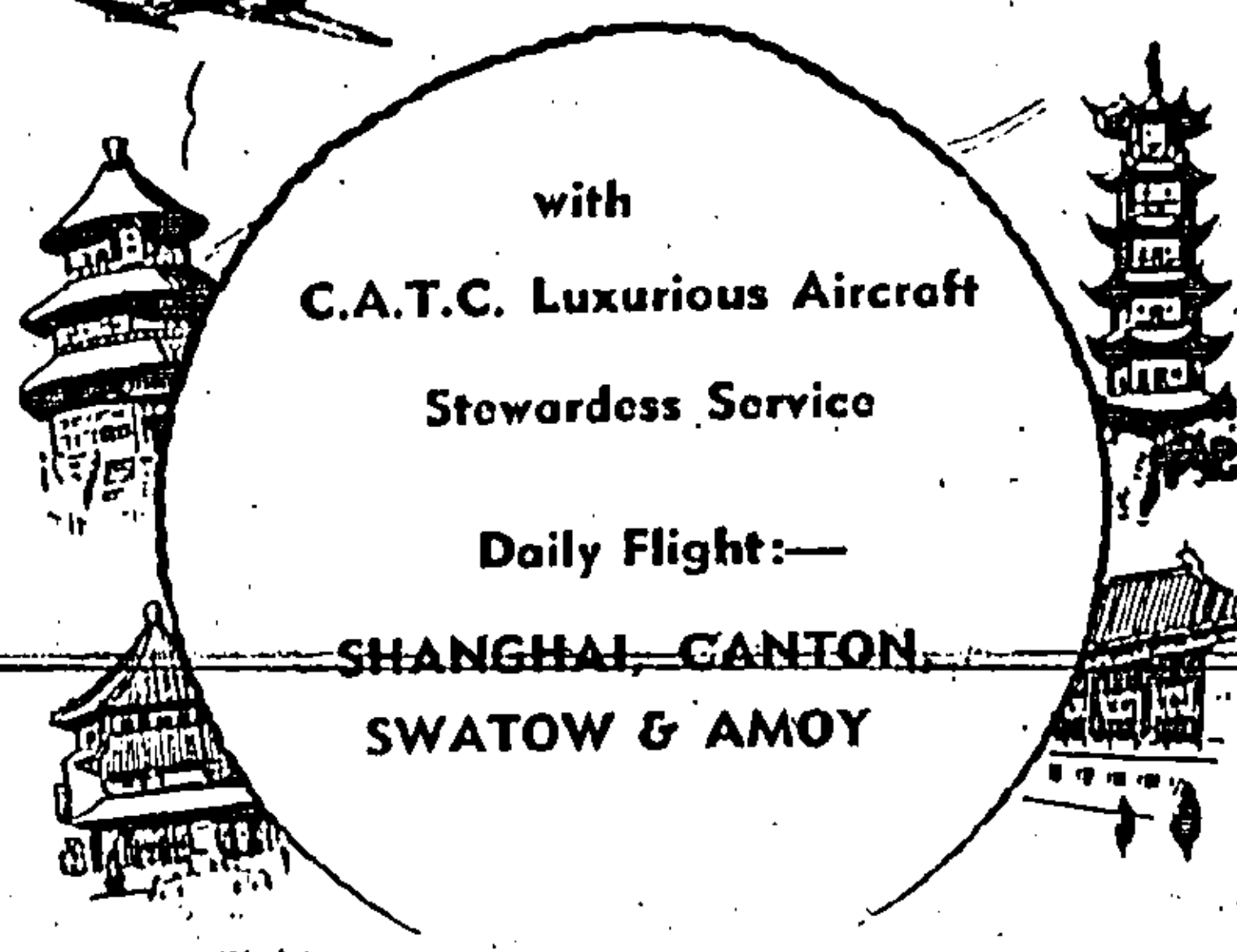


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## RECOGNITION OF ISRAEL

Britain's recognition of Israel will be generally welcomed, for while the underlying explanations of the Bevin policy may be understood and appreciated, there could be no further excuse for refusal to accept the new State as a reality. In Palestine, the removal of the British administration produced not the expected chaos, but quickly established law and order. Mr. R. H. Crossman, a somewhat biased observer, perhaps, but not to be accused of gross deception, claims that although fighting is not less than thirty miles away, even in Arab and Druse villages in Western Galilee, occupied only a few weeks ago by Jews, schools are open and the olives are being picked. He claims that the removal of the "Police State," into which the Mandate had degenerated—in consequence first of Arab terrorism and then of the activities of the Irgun Zvai Leumi and the Stern Gang—the new nation of Israel has emerged equipped with military and civil administration; sea, road and rail transport and all the equipment of a Western Socialist State. But here lies the truth of the attacks upon the Bevin policy: May 15, 1948, faced the Jewish people in Palestine with three tasks, each of which, separately, seemed, even to them, too big to tackle. First, to win the war as a nation of 800,000 against six nations with forty million. Second, while winning the war, to create a State out of chaos created by the evacuation of the existing authority. Third, while winning the war and building the State, to bring in and settle 130,000 new immigrants in one year, thus increasing the population by 15 per cent. Israel has done all three.

## A Friend Sees Us

There is a long-standing American tradition of damning "British imperialism," and many of those who know the least damn the loudest. The tradition is not extinct. But one finds some welcome breaches with it. An increasing number of Americans are studying the facts of the British Commonwealth; they may still be critical of British policy, but their criticism is informed and sympathetic. The Baltimore "Sun" provides a good instance. Some months ago the "Sun" assigned six experienced members of its staff to make a "world-wide study of the British Commonwealth and Empire as it changes in a changing world." It has now reprinted the first two series of their articles. Mr. Price Day's "Crisis in South Africa" and Mr. Philip Potter's "Retreat to the Desert," an analysis of Britain's strategic and economic position in the Middle East. It is perhaps straining the definition of the Commonwealth to apply it to all Mr. Potter's material, but some of his best articles are on recent developments in East Africa and in the Sudan, and link the rest with his main theme. Mr. Day's booklet on South Africa gives a vivid picture of the two dominant

## THE SEVENTY-SECOND INSTALMENT

# CRUSADE IN EUROPE

Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower's  
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In Europe

The Germans had now suffered an unbroken series of major defeats. Beginning with the bloody repulse in the enemy's abortive Ardennes assault, the Allied avalanche had continued to inflict upon him a series of losses and defeats of staggering proportions. There was no atom of reason or logic in prolonging the struggle. In both the East and the West strong forces were now operating in the homeland of Germany. The Ruhr, the Saar, and Silesia were all lost to the enemy. His remaining industries, dispersed over the central area of the country, could not possibly support his armies still attempting to fight. Communications were badly broken and no Nazi senior commander could ever be sure that his orders would reach the troops for whom they were intended. While in these areas there were troops capable of putting up fierce and stubborn resistance, only on the Northern and Southern flanks of the great Western front were there armies of sufficient size to do more than delay Allied advances.

On March 31, I issued a proclamation to the German troops urging them to lay down their arms and to begin planting crops. I described the hopelessness of their situation and told them that further resistance would only add to their future miseries.

My purpose was to bring the whole bloody business to an end. But the hold of Hitler on his associates was still so strong and was so effectively applied elsewhere, through the medium of the Gestapo and SS, that the nation continued to fight.

When Bradley reached the Kassel region his problem was a double-headed one. He first had to compress the Ruhr defenses into a small enough pocket so that they could be contained with a few divisions and effectively prevented from interfering with his own communications. His second job was to organize his three armies for a main advance across the central plateau of Germany in the direction of Leipzig.

His three front-line armies were, from North to South, Simpson's Ninth, Hodges' First, and Patton's Third. He had a total of forty-eight divisions, the largest exclusively American force in our history. Field Marshal Model commanded the German forces in the Ruhr pocket. He first attempted to break out of the encirclement by an attack toward the North, and he was defeated. A similar attempt toward the South was equally abortive, and the German garrison had nothing to look forward to except eventual surrender. Bradley kept hammering back the enemy lines and, on April 14, the Americans launched a local attack that split the pocket in two. Two days later the Eastern half collapsed. On the eighteenth the whole remaining garrison surrendered. Originally we had estimated we would capture about 150,000 of the German Army in the Ruhr. In the final count the total reached 325,000, including 30 general officers. We destroyed twenty-one divisions and captured enormous quantities of supplies. Hitler must have hoped that the siege of the Ruhr would be as stubbornly contested as was that of Brest, but within eighteen days of the moment the Ruhr was a rout. It was a complete and utter rout. An even greater number of prisoners than we had bagged in the final Tinseltown collapse almost two years earlier.

In the meantime Bradley had rapidly organized his forces for the Eastward drive. By the time the Ruhr garrison surrendered, some of his spearheads had already reached the Elbe. A hundred and fifty miles from Kassel, Bradley's advance was conducted on a broad front. On the South the Third Army struck in the direction of the Czechoslovakian border and toward the city of Chemnitz. Just North of that country, it reached that place April 13-14. On Patton's left the First Army attack began April 11 and made rapid progress against scattered resistance. On the fourteenth the 3rd Armoured Division of Collins' VII Corps reached Dessau, practically on the Elbe. This corps, which had been in the original assault against the Normandy beaches and soon thereafter had fought all the way across North West Europe from the coast of France to the river Elbe.

April 12 I spent with George Patton. Before the day ended, the

scenes I saw and news I heard etched the date in my memory. In the morning we visited some of Patton's scattered corps and divisions, which were pushing rapidly Eastward in a typical Patton thrust, here and there surrounding and capturing isolated detachments of the disintegrating enemy. There was no general line of resistance, or indeed even any co-ordinated attempt at delay. However, some of the local enemy detachments stubbornly defended themselves and we saw sporadic fighting throughout the day.

General Patton's army had overrun and discovered Nazi treasure, hidden away in the lower levels of a deep salt mine. A group of us descended the shaft, almost a half mile under the surface of the earth. At the bottom were huge piles of German paper currency, apparently heaped up there in a last frantic effort to evacuate some of it before the arrival of the Americans. In one of the tunnels was an enormous number of paintings and other pieces of art. Some of these were wrapped in paper and burlap, others were merely stacked together like cordwood.

In another tunnel we saw a hoard of gold, tentatively estimated by our experts to be worth about \$250,000,000, most of it in gold bars. There were in sacks, gold bars, and gold coins. There was also a great amount of minted gold from the different countries of Europe and even a few millions of gold coins from the United States.

Crammed into suitcases and other containers was a great amount of gold and silver plate and ornaments, obviously looted from private dwellings throughout Europe. All the articles had been flattened by hammer blows, obviously to save storage space, and then merely thrown into the receptacle, apparently pending an opportunity to melt them down into gold or silver bars.

Attention had been originally drawn to the particular tunnel in which all this gold was stored by the existence of a newly built brick wall in the centre of which was a steel safe door of the most modern type. The safe door was so formidable that heavy explosive charges would certainly have been necessary for its demolition. However, to an American soldier who inspected it the surrounding brick wall did not look particularly strong, and he tested out his theory with a mere half stick of TNT. With this he blew an enormous hole completely through the obstruction and the hoard was exposed to view. We speculated as to why the Germans had not attempted to provide a concealed hiding place for the treasure in the labyrinth of tunnels instead of choosing to attempt its protection by a wall that could easily have been demolished by a pickaxe. The elaborate steel door made no sense to us at all, but an American soldier who had accompanied me remarked, "It's just like the Germans to lock the stable door but to tear out all its sides." Patton's story of the incident that led to the exploration of the mine was in itself intriguing.

It is probable, of course, that sooner or later the mine would have been carefully searched by the captors. But according to Patton, except for the instincts of human decency on the part of two of our men, we might not have discovered it until much of it had been more securely hidden away. The story was this:

In the little neighbouring town the advancing Americans had established a cordon. Late in the evening, in the streets after dark, I was instantly picked up for questioning. One evening a roving patrol in a jeep saw a German woman hurrying along the street after curfew and stopped to speak to her. She protested that she was rushing off to get a midwife for her neighbour, who was about to have a child. The American soldier decided to check on the story, being quite ready to help if it should prove to be correct. They took the German woman into their jeep, picked up the midwife, and returned to the accouchement,

which was all as described by the German woman. The soldiers, still helpful, remained long enough to return the German woman and her midwife friend to their homes. As they were going along the street they passed the mouth of one of the salt mines of that region and one of the women remarked, "That's the mine in which the gold is buried."

This remark excited the curiosity of the soldiers and they questioned the woman sufficiently to learn that some weeks earlier great loads of material had been brought from the East to be put into the mine. The soldiers reported the story to their superiors, who in turn sought out some of the German officials of the mining corporation and the whole treasure fell into our hands.

The same day I saw my first horror camp. It was near the town of Gotha. I have never felt able to describe my emotional reactions when I first came face to face with indisputable evidence of Nazi brutality and ruthless disregard of every shred of decency. Up to that time I had known about it only generally or through secondary sources. I am certain, however, that I have never at any other time experienced an equal sense of shock.

I visited every nook and cranny of the camp because I felt it my duty to be in a position from then on to testify at first hand about these things in case there ever grew up at home the belief or assumption that "the stories of Nazi brutality were just propaganda." Some members of the visiting party were unable to go through the ordeal. I not only did so but as I returned to Patton's headquarters that evening I sent communications to both Washington and London, urging the two governments to send instantly to Germany a random group of newspaper editors and representative groups from the national legislatures. I felt that the evidence should be immediately placed before the American and British public in a fashion that would leave no room for cynical doubt.

The day of April 12 ended on a note of dramatic climax. Bradley, Patton, and I sat up late talking of future plans, particularly of the selection of officers and units for early redeployment to the Pacific. We went to bed just before twelve o'clock, Bradley and I in a small house at Patton's headquarters, and he in his trailer. His watch had stopped, and he turned on the radio to get the time signals from the British Broadcasting Corporation. While doing so he heard the news of President Roosevelt's death. He stopped back into the house, woke up Bradley, and then the two of them came to my room to tell me the shocking news.

We wondered over the effect the President's death might have upon the future peace. We were certain that there would be no interference with the tempo of the war because we already knew something of the great measures afoot in the Pacific to accomplish the smashing of the Japanese. We were of course ignorant of any special or specific arrangements that President Roosevelt had made affecting the later peace. But we were doubtful that there was any other individual in America as experienced as he in the business of dealing with the other Allied political leaders. None of us had known the President very well; I had, through various conferences, seen more of him than the others, but it seemed to us, from the international viewpoint, to be a most critical time to be forced to change national leaders. We went to bed depressed and sad.

With some of Mr. Roosevelt's political acts I could never possibly agree. But I knew him solely in his capacity as leader of a nation at war—and in that capacity he seemed to me to fulfill all that could possibly be expected of him.

During the First Army's advance more than 15,000 of the enemy were cut off in the Harz Mountains. The defenders fought stubbornly and held out until April 21. The country was exceedingly difficult. The week-long fighting

to reduce the pocket and to beat off other German troops who attempted to relieve the garrison was of a bitter character. Still farther to the North Simpson's Ninth Army kept equal pace with the advance in the centre and the South. By April 6 the Ninth had established a bridgehead over the formidable Weser River and thereafter dashed for the Elbe, which it reached just South of Magdeburg April 11. The next day the 2nd Armoured Division of the Ninth Army achieved a small bridgehead over the Elbe, ten miles below. Establishment of another small bridgehead by the 8th Armoured Division of the XIII Corps North of Magdeburg was thwarted when the enemy blew the bridge. In this sector the enemy appeared to be willing to abandon the country West of the Elbe but savagely opposed any attempt to cross the river. The Germans immediately counterattacked the bridgehead of the 2nd Armoured Division, which was abandoned on April 14. However, another crossing farther South by the 83rd Division was maintained.

Almost coincidentally with our arrival on the Elbe the Red Army launched a powerful Westward drive from its positions on the Oder. The attack was on a front of more than two hundred miles. The Red drive made speedy progress everywhere. Its Northern flank pushed in the direction of the Danubius peninsula, the centre toward Berlin, and the Southern flank toward the Dresden area. On April 25 patrols of the 69th Division of the V Corps met elements of the Red Army's 55th Guards Division on the Elbe. The meeting took place at Torgau, some seventy-five miles South of Berlin. The V Corps, like the VII, had participated in the initial assault on the beaches of Normandy and it seemed eminently fitting that troops of one of these corps should be first to make contact with the Red Army and accomplish the final severance of the German nation. The problem of liaison with the Russians grew constantly more important as we advanced across central Germany.

The pressing questions were no longer those of major strategy but had become tactical in character. One of the principal difficulties was that of mutual identification. Because of differences in language front-line radios were useless as a means of communication between the two converging forces. The only solution to the problem seemed to lie in timely agreements upon markings and procedure. As early as the beginning of April the air forces of the Western Allies and the Russians had come into contact, with some unfortunate results. Shots had been exchanged between Red aircraft and our own, and the danger of major clashes continued to increase. The task of organizing a system of recognition signals was laborious and was not fully accomplished until April 20. However, both sides had already agreed upon restraining lines for the use of their air forces, and by the exercise of care, accompanied by a considerable degree of good fortune, no really serious errors took place.

It was also agreed between ourselves and the Russians that when troops of the two converging forces met local commanders would arrange satisfactory junction lines between the two, based upon local and operational considerations. For the general junction line between the two forces we were anxious to have an easily identified geographical feature. For this reason the agreed-upon line, in the centre of the front, followed the Elbe and Mulde rivers. It was understood that the withdrawal of our forces to their occupation zone would take place at whatever future date might be agreed upon by our respective governments.

There was one of the greatest living masters of the devastating retort. A well-known playwright recently sent him tickets for the first performance of his latest play, together with the following note. "Please do come. The second ticket is for a friend—if you have one."

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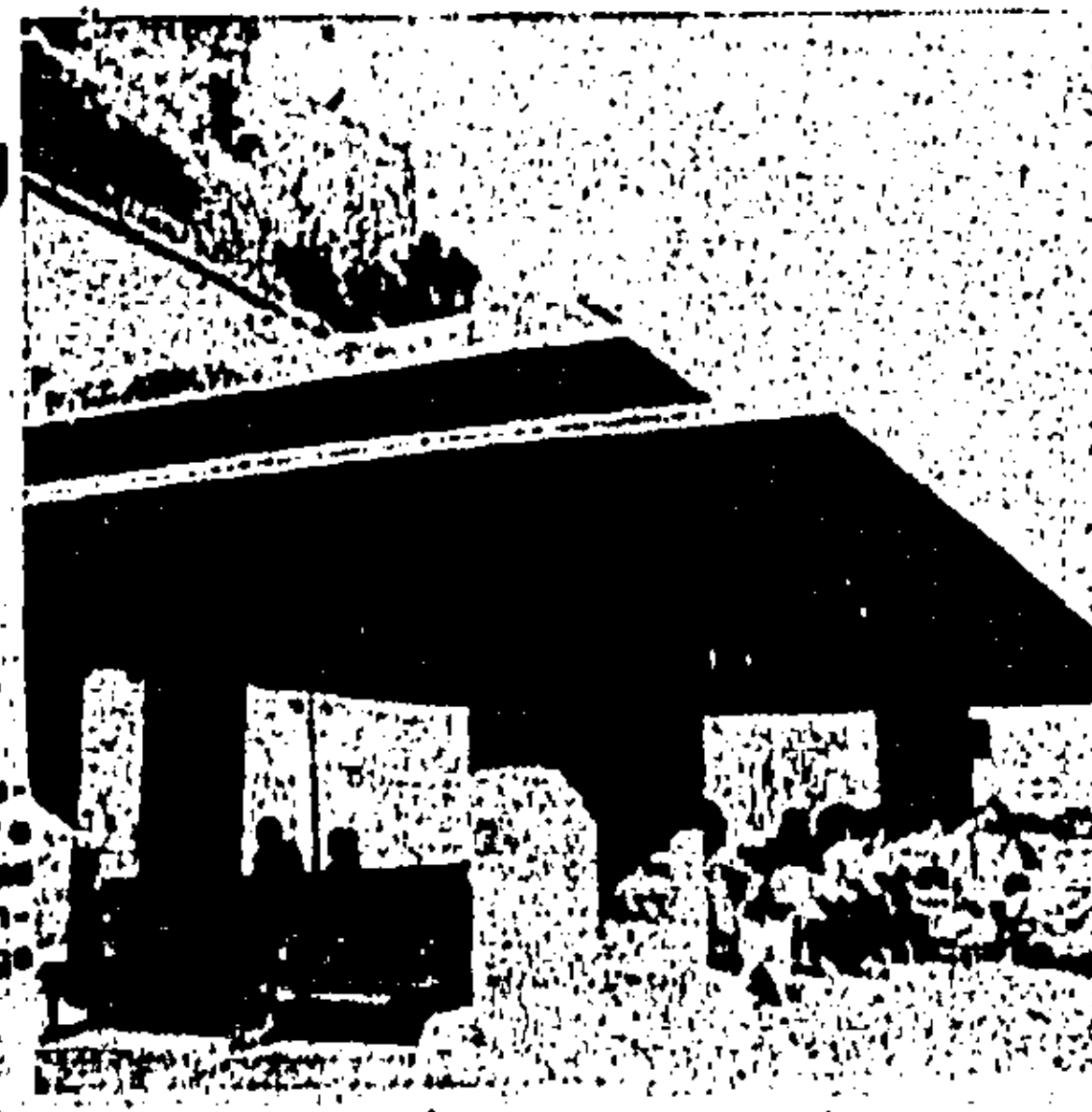
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An American who has a bullet lodged in his heart is likely to die if he laughs. He is thinking of going to Moscow.

A new cinema has just opened in Kowloon—it is called the Liberty. The management wish to make it clear that this does not mean it is free.

Berlin. A woman announced that she is fed up with her husband. Her fans think this is the last straw.

She hissed badly. "I'm going to slandering school," she said, heaving a sigh.

A goalkeeper deliberately leaves an open goal for a penalty kick and the opposing captain deliberately shoots wide. Perhaps the best solution to the current local soccer problem would be to order the referees off the field.

Police officers are to seek legal aid to protect them against arbitrary dismissal. Paging the Reform Club?

Singapore has banned the importation of American cigarettes. Apparently they don't like the idea of paying out new money for Old Gold.

A Reuters correspondent reports that he finds the China war more incomprehensible than ever. He's now joined ranks with a lot of other people.

According to a news item, taxicab owners and strikers met at "an amicable party." They fail to state who the genial fellow was.

The Rev. M. Stevenson says only the coming of a "new spirit" can save the UN. Apparently he thinks we've been viewing the present situation from the wrong end of the bottle.

A man who drove away in a luxury car, after eating a luxury meal in a luxury hotel, was interviewed yesterday in his luxury flat.

"Here are the facts," he said. "The car's worn out, the meal was terrible, the hotel stank, and this flat's both a shambles and a swindle. In fact, I'd like to clear out."

"In a luxury liner?" he was asked.

"No," he said tersely. "In a damned ship."

"Do you care for gorgonzola?" asked the author, of a nervous young woman sitting next to him at dinner.

"Well I don't know" stammered the girl. "I think I prefer the work of his brother Emilie."

Are you troubled with improper thoughts? asks a psychiatrist. Personally we rather enjoy them.

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# WESTERN SCEPTICISM OVER STALIN'S OFFER

## Move To Torpedo Signing Of Atlantic Defence Pact A PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGN

London, February 1.

Western diplomats take a sceptical view of Prime Minister Josef Stalin's cagey "peace" overture.

Many quarters think the move reflects Russia's shock at the speed with which movements for Western unity are taking shape.

Exports in capitals all over the world are studying the answers Premier Stalin gave on Sunday to an American newsman's questions. They are trying to determine whether Stalin is engaged in a Soviet propaganda move or expressing a genuine desire for peace.

An American diplomatic source in London believes Russia has been shocked into the new Stalin manoeuvre by the speed with which the West is building up its political defence against aggression.

A similar view is expressed by a British informant who says Stalin had made an obvious attempt to torpedo the proposed North Atlantic security pact. Newspapers in Western Europe carried editorials along the same line.

Russia has shown definite symptoms of nervousness over the proposed North Atlantic security pact, which is being negotiated in Washington. The Soviet Foreign Ministry has described the pact as a plot to undermine the United Nations and an attempt to establish American-British world domination.

Many British newspapers are sceptical of the Stalin declaration, which they contrast with the week-end Soviet denunciation of the Western powers and their questioning of Norway on the Atlantic Pact proposals.

Some papers, while declaring that Marshal Stalin's words cannot be taken at their face value, urge the Western powers

to make the most of them to secure a working agreement with Russia.

### Last Chance?

The Manchester Guardian says: "Stalin holds that Germany is the key to the 'cold war' and the defeat of the Western Union, and he is preparing to concentrate on it."

"In this sense, his statement is aimed quite as much at the confusion of German opinion as at the American, British or French." The Conservative Yorkshire Post comments: "For all its clamour, the Russian action may be offering us a chance of that showdown for which Mr. Churchill asked some weeks ago."

"It may be the last chance to stop a drift towards a disastrous conflict." Declaring that the Soviet leader's words demand a response, the Liberal News Chronicle says: "The fact remains that Marshal Stalin's overtures to the West (for such they cannot be laughed off or cavalierly rejected)."

### One Purpose

The Conservative Daily Mail states that in Germany Russia wants to share in the recovery which she did her utmost to prevent. Nevertheless, if there is the slightest hope of reaching a settlement in Germany, it should be explored to the utmost.

W. N. Ewer, diplomatic correspondent of the Trade Unionist Daily Herald, writes: "The Kremlin is speaking with what sounds like two voices—the voice of Stalin and the voice of Molotov. But there is no real conflict between Marshal Stalin and Mr. Molotov. Both have the same purpose: to prevent the unification of Western Europe and the conclusion of an Atlantic Pact."

The Communist Daily Worker says: "If the United States military circles are prepared to talk peace, then the Soviet Union is quite willing to meet them."

"If they intend to continue their war plans, the Soviet Union will strengthen its fight for peace on more definite lines than hitherto."

American's answer to the offer may be discussed this week at the first full meeting between Mr. Dean Acheson, the new Secretary of State, and the five Western Union Ambassadors, diplomatic observers in Washington think.

They believe the reply will aim at "reassuring" the Scandinavian countries and other European nations, particularly Italy, Portugal and Greece. It will be a "cool" answer, observers thought.

Diplomatic sources will expect the Soviet Union to continue its "peace offensive" until mid-March when, according to present plans, the North Atlantic

Pact is due to be signed by the Brussels treaty powers (Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg), the United States and Canada.

Observers feel that the Soviet strategy may lead the United States and the Western Union powers to consider speeding up the alliance programme. In Berlin, Herr Karl Schwenke, the Democratic Liberal Party leader, is quoted by the German news agency, DPA, as saying that Marshal Stalin's readiness to lift the "blockade" is explained by the "extraordinary efficiency of the airlift."

Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, Deputy Lord Mayor of Berlin, says the Stalin statement shows that the Soviet Union wishes, in collaboration with the Western powers, to bring to an end the unbearable situation in Berlin.

### UN Caution

Dr. Otto Suhr, Chairman of Berlin's "Western" City Council, comments that the Soviet leader gave no indication of readiness for Berliners and Germans in general to let them build an independent administration for Berlin and a Federal Republic for Germany.

In Paris, a Foreign Office spokesman said the French Government attaches a certain importance to the announcement that Marshal Stalin is prepared to meet President Truman to discuss drafting a peace pact.

It is still premature to make any comment, and it is not yet known what action the French Government will take, the spokesman added.

The Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr. Trygve Lie, when asked tonight whether he would consider offering Lake Success as a "mutually acceptable" meeting place for President Truman and Marshal Stalin, said he would consider the matter and might make a statement tomorrow.

However, Marshal Stalin's latest move in the so-called "peace offensive" has been received with great caution by diplomats at Lake Success. High officials of the United Nations decline to comment on it.

Moscow Radio is broadcasting Marshal Stalin's "peace" statement in all news bulletins, both domestic and foreign. Sometimes the statement is repeated twice in succession.

Every language on the Russian broadcast list is being used.—Associated Press and Reuter.

### SERVICES FOR MILES VAUGHN

Tokyo, February 1. Memorial services for the late Mr. Miles Vaughn, Vice-President of the United Press for the Far East, will be held tomorrow.

Mr. Vaughn was drowned in Tokyo Bay on January 30 when the boat in which he was duck shooting capsized in a squall.—Reuter.

## PRESIDENT WILLING TO SEE STALIN —IN U.S.A.

Washington, January 31. President Truman is willing to see Marshal Stalin provided the meeting is held in Washington, a White House spokesman said today.

Mr. Charles Ross, the Presidential Secretary, told a press conference that there is no comment from the President on Generalissimo Stalin's statement yesterday.

He was then asked if the President's position regarding such a meeting has changed. Mr. Ross said that the last official word he had received on the subject was the President's statement to a recent press conference that he is willing to see Marshal Stalin any time he comes to Washington.

Mr. Ross said there has been no official message from the Soviet Government regarding a meeting.—Reuter.

## CLOTHES OFF THE RATION

London, January 31.

Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, announced in the House of Commons today that practically all suits, jackets, trousers, overcoats, costumes and woven wool dresses are to be taken off the ration from tomorrow.

Knitted wool and knitted garments will stay on the ration. The number of coupons each person will have in the next rationing period will be reduced from 24 to 17.

The announcement was greeted with loud cheers in the House.—Reuter.

London, January 31.

The Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede, is to receive a deputation from the National Union of Small Shopkeepers to discuss a plan for civilian guards to combat shop and factory breaking.—Reuter.

## Russians Getting Ready With New Disarmament Plan

Lake Success, January 31.

Russia is reported to be preparing a new statement on world disarmament for the United Nations. It may be an important sequel to Premier Stalin's bid for a Soviet-American "peace programme."

The Soviet delegate, Mr. Jacob Malik, is getting ready to reopen the much-mangled Nations disarmament debate.

The Security Council may meet this week to consider the issue, and the Soviet spokesman is expected to be the first speaker if it does.

United Nations diplomats await Mr. Malik's statement as a possible portent of what the Kremlin plans to do to back up Stalin's advocacy of a Russo-American no-war statement and reduction of armaments.

They react to the Stalin interview with the same wall-and-see attitude that marked reaction in London, Washington and many other capitals.

While the Russians at the United Nations are always likely to pull surprises, Western delegates feel that when Mr. Malik reopens the disarmament debate he will not produce any change in Russia's attitude on the off-debated issue.

### Disarmament Views

The Russians insist on early disarmament by the Big Five.

## Russians Believe Truman-Stalin Meeting Possible

Moscow, January 31.

The question, "Will Stalin and Truman meet?" is the main topic of conversation in Moscow.

Answers heard on the streets and public conveyances generally follow the same pattern: "I believe they will."

Foreign diplomats approach the question with more caution, however. They point to Premier Stalin's answer to the question of whether he will meet President Truman at a "mutually suitable" place.

Premier Stalin answered: "I have already stated before that there is no objection to a meeting."

They point out that Premier Stalin did not say "such a meeting" but simply "a meeting."

The diplomats agree that there is a difference in the two. However, they do not discourage the possibility that Stalin and Truman may meet at some half-way point between their two countries.

Pravda publishes Stalin's answers to the questions on Palestine but makes no editorial comment.

One foreign diplomat comments: "I cannot imagine a Stalin-Truman meeting without the British and French but I presume Stalin would have no objection to that."—Associated Press.

## RITUAL MURDER ACQUITTAL

Maseru, January 31.

The Basutoland sub-chief, Gabriel Thibeli, and three followers were acquitted today of a charge of ritual murder of a herd boy more than three years ago.

Justice W. Pittman told the Maseru Court that a reasonable supposition exists that other persons committed the crime. Evidence was given that the boy was taken to the hut of one of the accused, where the flesh was cut from his eyes, ears and mouth and his blood collected in a bottle.

Next day the body was thrown into a river.—Reuter.

## Arrests Of British Subjects

London, January 31.

The British Ambassador in Cairo has been instructed to make further and forcible representations to Egypt about the detention of British subjects, Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, told the House of Commons today.

Mr. McNeill, who had been asked what had been done to secure their release, added: "Twenty-one British subjects have been arrested and detained by the Egyptian authorities since martial law was declared on May 15."

"Representations have been frequently made on this subject by the British Embassy in Cairo to the Egyptian authorities and I took the opportunity recently in Paris of bringing to the attention of the Egyptian Foreign Minister the grave concern of the British Government at the detention of British subjects without specific charges being presented against them."

"Twelve of them have been released but nine are still in detention."—Reuter.

## Planning Council Of Europe

London, January 31.

The Brussels Treaty Permanent Commission will meet in London this week to work out plans for the establishment of a Council of Europe.

Since the five Foreign Ministers who met in London last week are reported to have reached full agreement on all questions of principle, the Commission will chiefly deal with practical details, such as the methods of voting and the relative sizes of national delegations.

When progress has been made on these lines, the Permanent Commission will address formal invitations to Italy and to certain other European powers not members of the Western Union to join the Council of Europe.

Not more than five powers will be invited at first. When the Italian Ambassador in London, Duke Tomaso Galatrat-Scotti, saw Mr. Hector McNeill, Minister of State, last Saturday, he was informed that Italy will receive a formal invitation in due course.—Reuter.

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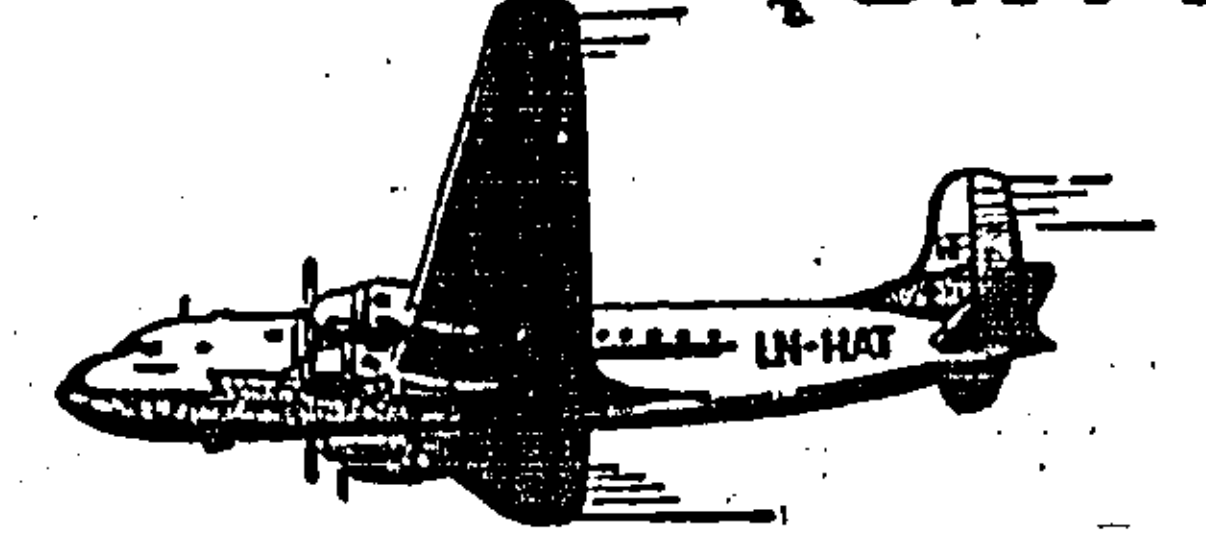
Shanghai, February 1.

The cost of living index for the January 15 to January 21 period in Shanghai reached 88.47, representing a wage increase since January 15 of more than 80 per cent for Shanghai workers.—Associated Press.

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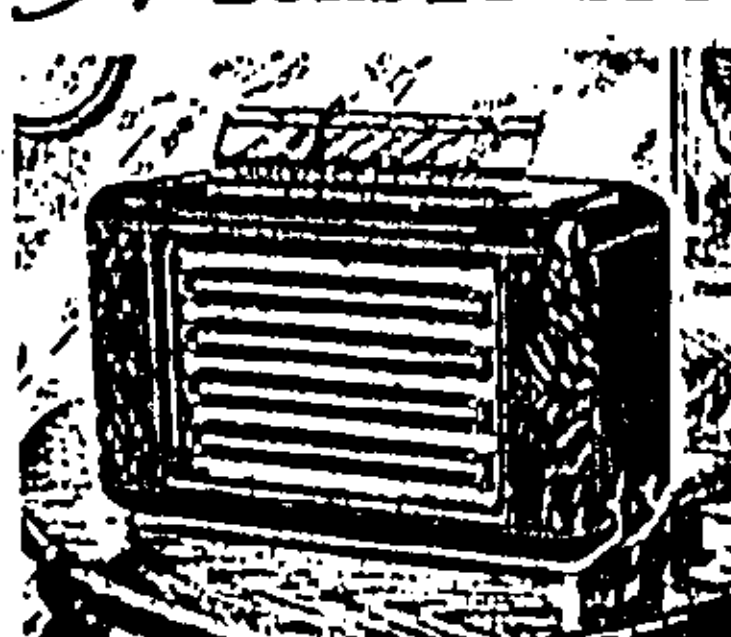
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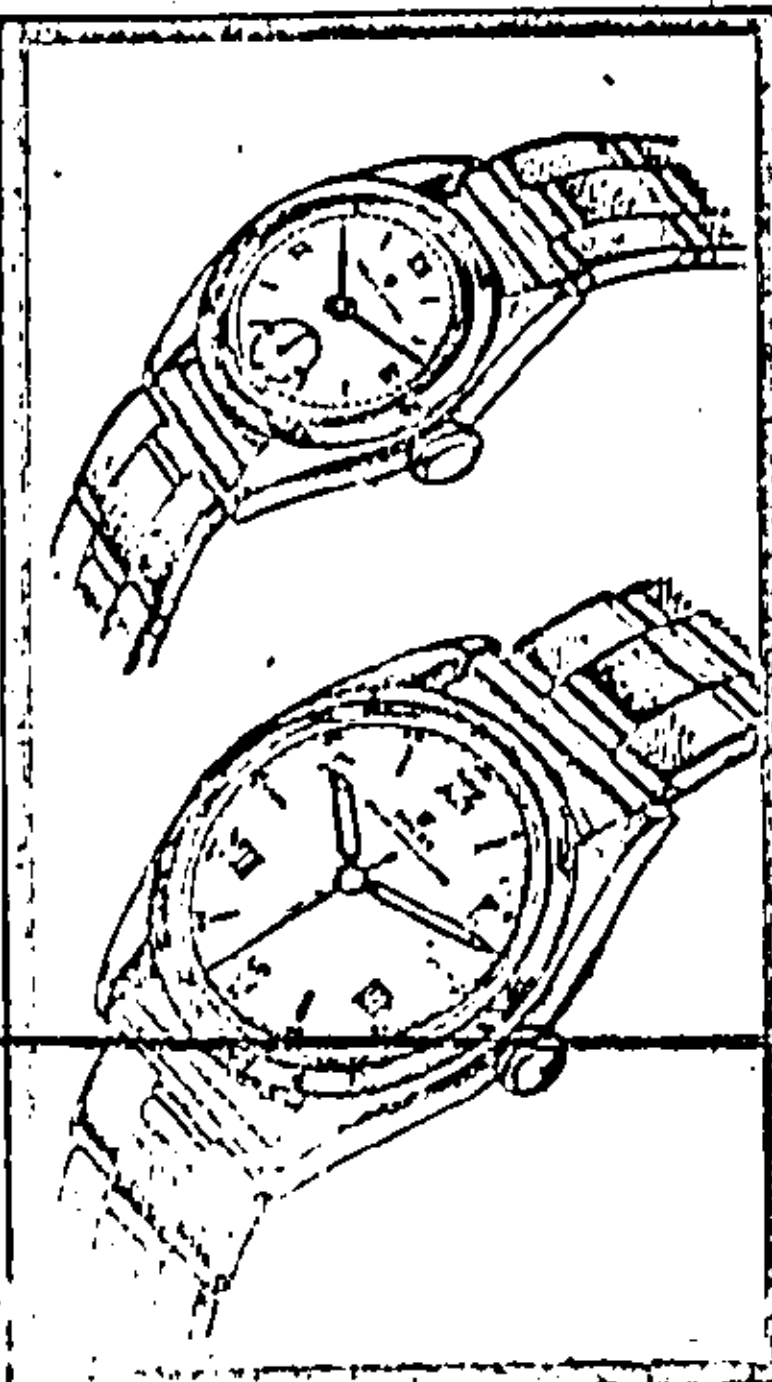
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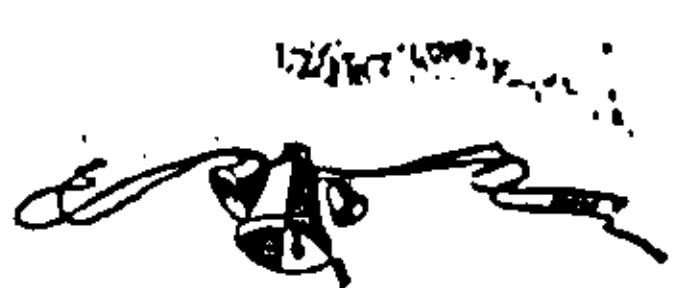
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# Woman Today

## Fish Net Fashions

Ever since the late '30's Mrs. John C. Worthington of North Truro, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, has been casting her fish net on the right side and finding the yield good.

It was 10 years ago or more that she first saw other uses for fish nets than their primary one, that of catching fish.

She began using them about her home for hangings and curtains when she moved to the Cape with her husband, whose cold-storage business in connection with the fishing industry took him there. Then she used them for turbans and for blouses for herself and made them up for friends. Sud-



Fishnet can make an attractive snood or head scarf.

denly she became aware that she had a potential fashion accessory and the means to produce it in quantity.

The idea took hold and grew. Vogue introduced it to the fashion world and there was great demand for fish-net novelties. The wives of fishermen who worked for her husband worked for her, washing the nets, spreading them to dry and in the beginning, dyeing them in the Cape Cod colours that she developed.

Later she had the dyeing done on a large scale by a man who could reproduce the colours faithfully. The fashion continued until just before the war, when a flood of cheaply made fish-net articles came into the stores from Japan. During the war, although Mrs. Worthington devoted the major portion of her time to community work, she also designed the commodious "Cape Cod carrier," which was a boon to people with a multitude of bundles to carry home.

Now she has a new idea in fish net, only totally different from former ideas, but a novel variation, or perhaps even a combination of several ideas. It is actually a shopping bag, with a decorative row of loops at the bottom.

It comes neatly folded in a plastic envelope, so it may be conveniently tucked into one's handbag without tangling with the rest of the contents.

There is a button-shaped knot in the centre of the net which serves as the handle of this simple bag. And this is the key to its ingenious variations.

Placing this at the centre one may drape the net over the hair as a becoming and graceful scarf for evening wear. In the daytime, it will serve equally well folded or twisted as a headband or as a belt. Add another bag of contrasting colour, slipping one knotted end over the other, and a graceful sash results.

The colours are those which Mrs. Worthington has found in the landscape and the sea. There are about 20 tones, with such picturesque names as beach-plum rust, cranberry, bay blue, dusty miller, poverty gold, and sand.

She has had a busy summer at a little shop she maintains in North Truro where her fish-net designs have been exceedingly popular. But only a week ago did she discover the many ways her bag design could be used. Now she expects the bags to go rapidly as gift items for Christmas because they are inexpensive, so simple to send, and they have such a variety of uses.

Like the author of a story who starts out with a character and hardly knows where it is going to lead him, Mrs. Worthington finds herself constantly surprised with new ideas which her fish-net articles present and which start her off with new enthusiasm to pick up the nets where she may have dropped them at the end of a season.

## OPENING LETTUCE

The best way to open lettuce is to let it stand in cold water for a while and then it will open. That helps, but when in a hurry to open a head of lettuce cut the stem end out, then hold that end under the hot water faucet for a minute to just a minute, hold it under the cold water faucet. It opens up very quickly.

## LITTLE DRESSES WITH LONG LIVES



Certain dresses have qualities which ensure them long life. They develop into "the little dress I've had for years"—the one which can be worn from morning to night, which somehow lasts longer than the more expensive, more elaborate ones.

First essential is quality of material. Shoddy fabrics, no matter how pretty they look, are a bad purchase. Their life is short; they nullify good line, style and workmanship. So learn to choose the good from the bad—and remember, you can find quality hiding in the cheaper price ranges, if you look for it.

Simplicity of style is another must if you intend to insure your dress for long life. Simplicity that doesn't mean unbecoming uniformity, either, but the soft simplicity that whispers elegance. Do away with the rather obvious faddicals, the frills and flounces, cleave to the simplicity which is flattering because it proves your good taste.

The dress on the left, smart in a fine sheer, is simple, yet has all the trimming it needs in the subtle lines of its own charming design.

The little dress that lasts the longest is the one with the best workmanship. It fits perfectly, its waistline is smooth, the skirt sleek, the hem straight and true, the shoulders correct, the button-holes neat, the stitching and finishing precise.

Time and thought have been taken in its making, and experience has been in the fingers which made it. It's a lovely dress, as the one on the right would be, made with these details in mind from a good neutral or black fabric.

Important in the life-span of a dress is its cut. There is a difference between good line and bad so important that it can make or mar a garment with all the other details to its credit—quality of fabric, simplicity of design, good workmanship.

## EIGHT STEPS TO BEAUTY

By CYNTHIA MANIFOLD

THIS is the era of planning! Therefore, let us have a Plan for Good Looks and Beauty—for the better we women look, the better we feel and the better we are.

Character, an active mind, tolerance, good humour are the inward essentials, but make-up continues to be a good-looks necessity, capable of turning the ugliest duckling into a swan. Remember, many an actress was not born beautiful, but achieved beauty.

Here are my eight steps to good looks:

1—CLEANLINESS: Have a soapy scrub at bedtime and rinse with warm water. If you have pimples a complexion brush is a must; for you the soaped flannel is too casual, and the brush soon discourages blemishes. Creaming is the essential guard against chapping, and friction against wrinkles. After a night creaming a morning cold-water douse brings freshness and colour.

2—FOUNDATION: Carefully tap in a good foundation cosmetic, or use one of the popular new cake type. Their shades are flattering and they perform wonders in disguising minor defects if you select your shade wisely.

3—ROUGE: A rosy warmth is engendered by a touch of rouge on a pale cheek—but nature never formed a blush resembling a bright

red apple. Rouge placed high makes eyes sparkle; placed low it gives the face a dragged-down look.

Rouge close to the nose if your face is round, high on the cheek if it is long, remembering cream rouge under and cake rouge over your powder.

4—POWDER: Choose powder to harmonise with your skin colour and surface. Dry skins need a powder with an oily base, and a pale skin is more vital when a blended powder is used. Ivory and flesh give a creamy, porcelain-like surface. Astringent face powder is a boon to oily skins and shiny noses.

5—LIP CARE: Rouge and lipstick should tone. Lipstake keeps your lips smooth and soft. Never, never, allow your mouth to droop. Facial gestures cause more wrinkles than a meandering husband or keeping the bank balance blue.

If the teeth are prominent a subdued lipstick must be used; if the upper lip is thin, broaden the application with the slightest suggestion of a cupid's bow. When the lower lip is unusually full apply only the slightest film there, letting it blend into the natural colouring.

6—LOVELY EYES: The best way to keep the eyes bright is to be well and strong, so take plenty of sleep and live an animated mind. Women who love to laugh have interesting eyes!

Charm-givers are neat brows, uplifted lashes, and firm tissues round the eyes. Mineral oil is beneficial, frictioned into the lashes and lids night and morning. Apply mascara with an upward brush movement on the top lid only.

## Make-Up Hints

By Valerie Hobson

Any studio make-up artist will tell you how important is the right application of powder. It should be patted in deeply, with special attention to the nose and chin creases where it is inclined to smudge, or lump.

Don't be afraid to use plenty of powder—but be sure it matches your complexion. Experiment by

keeping the bank balance blue, guard then against railroad and turkey tracks.

If the teeth are prominent a subdued lipstick must be used; if the upper lip is thin, broaden the application with the slightest suggestion of a cupid's bow. When the lower lip is unusually full apply only the slightest film there, letting it blend into the natural colouring.

7—GLASSES: Believe it or not, but glasses sometimes not only make a woman see better but also make her look better. Opticians have stepped into the beauty trade with varied and pleasing shapes and colours. They even have glasses to make your nose look shorter or longer.

And the woman with little ham-mocks under her eyes appears younger under the camouflage of "specs."

8—HAIR: All famous beauties—pretty or plain—have lovely hair, for this is one beauty asset that anyone can acquire. Daily brushing is the first step—it brings lustre and has a stimulating effect on the tiny blood streams that supply the growth and nourishment. There's a new brush with bristles set like spokes in a wheel that is excellent for scalp friction.

If the fashion flatters you the cropped hair-do is making successful headlines. It gives a more youthful appearance to the older woman.

So, let this be your beauty slogan—"Be patient, persevere and be beautiful." No more stop-and-go business. Remember, if you have reached the 40 mark, that old meany Time has his eye on you and bodes no good. Preservation of good looks and a good figure is not difficult if you start determinedly and early.

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Arrivals	Departures
"TJITJALENGKA" from Shanghai 3rd Feb.	Sailings to Javaport & Macassar 3rd March.
"TJIBADAK" In port	to Javaport & Macassar 3rd February.
"VAN HEUTSZ" In port	to Swatow, Amoy, Manila 4th Feb.
"TJISADANE" from Macassar 4th Feb.	to Javaport & Macassar 17th Feb.

### ASIA-AFRICA-SOUTH AMERICA SERVICE

Arrivals	Departures
"TRIYS" calling Mombasa direct.	to South Africa & South America 22nd February.

"STRAAT SOENDA" from South Africa, 12th February.	to South Africa, 21st March.
"BOISSEvain" from South America & South Africa, 31st March.	to South Africa, 18th April.
"STRAAT MALAKKA" from South America & South Africa, 5th March.	to South Africa, 12th May.

Transshipment cargo on through B/L to Dar-Es-Salaam, Zanzibar, accepted on all sailings.

### SUMATRA-MALAYA-CHINA SERVICE

Arrivals	Departures
"VAN RIEMSDIJK" from Swatow & Amoy 7th Feb.	to Straits & B. Del, 8th Feb.
"VAN HEUTSZ" In port	to Swatow, Amoy & Manila 14th February.
	to Straits & B. Del 20th Feb.

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Arrivals	Departures
"MEERKERK" In port	to Europe via Manila & Straits, 2nd Feb.
"RIJNKERK" from Europe 17th Feb.	to Shai, Japan via Keelung 19th Feb.
	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Early March.
"MELISKERK" from Europe Early March.	to Europe via Manila & Straits Mid. March.
"MARIEKERK" from Europe Early April.	to Europe via Manila & Straits, Mid April.

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE

# UNITED STATES IMPORTS AND EXPORTS OF BULLION

Washington, January 31.

The Department of Commerce reports that exports of refined gold bullion in December totalled 624,266 troy ounces, including 571,410 ounces to Venezuela, 6,556 ounces to Uruguay, 9,835 to French Indochina and 30,548 to Portuguese Asia.

Silver exports were 253,406 ounces, of which Canada received 201,219 ounces, Brazil 30,068 ounces, the United Kingdom 22,120 ounces.

## London Stock Exchange

London, January 31.

The buying of Government long dated stocks gave a firm tone to the gilt-edged section today. Gains up to 3/16 were recorded.

Industrial followed the lead and there were widespread small improvements among brewers, textiles and tobacco. Trading, however, was small and under the influence of the approaching end of account.

Although the latest developments in international politics have provided dealers with a talking point, they failed to have any marked influence on the markets. Dealers preferred to "wait and see".

Oil shares met one or two small sellers and prices were inclined to be dull. Mexican Eagle came on offer and declined some price. Burma Oil was particularly out of favour.

Overseas utilities were a little mixed. Argentine and Uruguay issues advanced, the latter on the announcement that the final closing of debenture registers will be February 14 next.

Brazilian rails showed small declines where changed. South African minings were quiet but with occasional demand for developers and producers.

### SECURITIES

British Consols, 2 1/2% 80 1/2

Conversion Loan, 3 1/2%, 1961 107 1/2

Funding Loan, 4 1/2%, 1960/61 114 1/2

War Loan, 3 1/2%, 1952 104 1/2

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Victory Bonds, 4 1/2% 115 1/2

### INDUSTRIALS

British American Tobacco (of G.I. & Ireland) 68 1/2

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## GERMAN RED ON TRIAL

Dusseldorf, January 31.

The West German Communist leader, Max Reimann, went on trial today before a British summary court while 590 of his followers chanted the "Internationale" in the street below and tried to break through the line of German police to enter the court house.

Fifty foot police directed by British officers, and troops of the mounted police, broke up the demonstrators but they waited outside until the noon court adjournment and carried Reimann away on their shoulders shouting "police state" back at officials.

Reimann was charged with urging his followers to "dis-criminate" against Germans who sided with the British and American military authorities—United Press.

### Notice To Consignees

Consignees Per States

Steamship Company

M.V. "MONTANA"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s godown where it will be at consignee's risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and condition of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke at 10 a.m. on the 5th February.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 6th February will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 14th February, 1949 or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hong Kong, February 1, 1949.

### Notice To Consignees

S.S. "CHANGTE"

arrived 29/1/49

Damaged cargo at this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.'s Godown No. 25A from 10 a.m. on 3rd and 4th of February, 1949, and consignees' representatives are requested to be present during the survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE

Agents, Australian-Oriental Line Ltd.

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